



Town of Vienna

Newsletter

AUGUST 2009

Comments Wanted on Tysons Bus Service

Fairfax County has embarked on a transit development plan called "Enhancing Transit Service in Tysons Corner" and is accepting comments and suggestions from the public. If you would like to express your views on bus service from Vienna to Tysons Corner, contact Matthew Zisman, Transportation Planner for ATCS consulting engineers, mzisman@atcsplc.com or 571-268-4634. (See "Comment from the Council Table" on page 3 for more information.)

The County is planning for the extension of Metrorail into the Dulles Corridor, with four stations located within Tysons, beginning in 2013. Transit services complementary to Metrorail will not only provide circulation within Tysons, but also provide connections from surrounding communities through a neighborhood feeder bus network.

2010 Calendar Deadline

Attention Vienna non-profit organizations! September 1 is the deadline to submit information about your community events for next year to be published in the 2010 Town Calendar. Address calendar items to the Public Information Office, Vienna Town Hall, 127 Center St., S., Vienna, VA 22180, fax 703-255-5722, or e-mail pio@viennava.gov.

NEW IN TOWN? There's a welcome packet especially for new residents. Stop by Town Hall and pick one up, or call 703-255-6330 to have one mailed to you.

Bicycle, Pedestrian, and Motor Vehicle Safety Survey Inside

By Master Police Officer Bill Murray, Community Services Officer

As part of the Vienna Police Department's continuing effort to maintain safe and passable routes for pedestrians, bicyclists, and motor vehicles, we would like to hear from all citizens that travel in and through town. Please take a few minutes to complete our survey on pages 7 and 8 of this newsletter.

The Vienna Police Department continually assesses the pedestrian/bicycle crossings in an effort to maintain safe passage for all parties involved. At times we receive input from the Vienna community about the safety of pedestrians and bicycles crossing at locations where motor vehicles are present. Our department has begun making presentations to civic associations, clubs, schools, and other community groups in an effort to spread the word about safety at crossings. Additionally, enforcement of various laws and ordinances takes place at key locations throughout town.

Statistical analysis shows that Vienna has between seven and ten reportable bicycle and/or pedestrian vs. vehicle crashes per year. While this is not an enormous amount when compared to other jurisdictions, it is still an area where we strive for a zero statistical balance. The Vienna Police Department has met with individuals from area bicycle shops, representatives of the W&OD Trail, and other entities in and around town in an attempt to come up with the best possible solutions to reduce the number of crashes.

Our agency has looked into speed tables (humps), markings, barriers, lighting, road grooving, and signage, and now we would like to hear from you.

Thank you for taking the time to let us know what ideas you think may help address this very important and timely issue. If you have any questions, please contact me at wmurray@viennava.gov or 703-255-6396.

Concerned About Traffic Conditions in Your Neighborhood?

The Vienna Transportation Safety Commission (TSC) will be holding public hearings over the next few months to listen to citizen concerns and suggestions relating to traffic safety for motorists, pedestrians, and bicyclists. Residents are encouraged to attend the hearings scheduled for each quadrant of town:

September 29	Northeast quadrant
October 27	Northwest quadrant
November 24	Southeast quadrant
January 26	Southwest quadrant

All meetings will begin at 8 p.m. in the Council Chamber at Town Hall. Residents may also send written comments to TSC Chairman Steve Kenney in care of Town Hall or e-mail tsc@viennava.gov.

Town Council Action

APRIL 20, 2009

- Conducted a closed session to interview candidates for appointment to Town boards and commissions and to discuss appointment of Council members to various Virginia Municipal League policy committees.

- Appointed Greg Bernhard to the Town/Business Liaison Committee and appointed Andrew Meren to the Transportation Safety Commission, both for two-year terms.

- Made the following appointments to Virginia Municipal League (VML) policy committees: Finance, Councilwoman Kelleher; General Laws, Councilman Lovelace; Transportation, Councilwoman Cole; Community and Economic Development, Councilman Dellinger; Environmental Quality, Mayor Seeman; Executive Board as President of VML, Councilman Polychrones.

- Approved amendments to the Council Square Homeowners' Association declaration of covenants and restrictions.

- Accepted a partial sponsorship from the Rotary Club of Vienna in the amount of \$3,750 for the July 4 fireworks display.

- Rejected all bids for printing the Parks and Recreation Department's quarterly brochure. The job will be re-bid with new specifications in order to lower the price.

- Approved a six-month extension of the contract with Blue Chip Service for janitorial services for Town Hall and the police station.

- Approved a one-year extension of the contract with Waste Management-Recycle America for recyclable material processing, and accepted the lower rebate/credit of \$20 per ton.

- Approved the purchase of additional supplies and service for the sewer inspection camera from Indian River Equipment Co. of Chesapeake, VA, at an estimated cost of \$4,000.

- Approved an identity theft prevention policy as required by the Federal Trade Commission for local governments.

Council Appoints New Town Clerk

The Vienna Town Council has announced the selection of Melanie J. Clark as the new Town Clerk. She was chosen from among approximately 180 applicants to fill the office of former Town Clerk Carol A. Orndorff, who retired on June 30.

Clark has served since 2003 as Town Clerk of Sterling, Massachusetts, a mostly residential community in Worcester County, population 7,257. From 1989 to 2003 she was Assistant Town Clerk for the Town of Groton, Massachusetts.

Clark received her Municipal Clerk certification from the New England Municipal Clerk's Institute at Salve Regina University in Newport, Rhode Island.

"We are very happy to welcome Melanie and her family to Vienna," Mayor Jane Seeman said. "We look forward to a long working relationship with her."

The Town Council is hopeful that Clark will be able to complete her move to Vienna in time for the first Town Council meeting after the summer recess on August 17.

Town Purchasing Agent Earns CPPB

Town of Vienna Purchasing Agent Gina Gilpin recently received the Certified Professional Public Buyer (CPPB) credential from the Universal Public Purchasing Certification Council. She was among 149 public purchasing professionals who successfully completed the CPPB examination held May 4-9.

To become certified as a CPPB, candidates must meet specific requisites, including formal education, procurement related coursework/training, and public purchasing experience. A comprehensive written examination is required to confirm the candidate's mastery of the body of knowledge for public purchasing professionals.

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VIENNA TOWN COUNCIL

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Deadline for September issue is August 15.

Town Council Minutes & Agendas
Are Available at www.viennava.gov.

Comment from the Council Table

Vienna Needs Better Bus Service

By Laurie Genevra Cole
Vienna Town Councilwoman

On July 4th, a Washington reporter came out to Vienna to cover our “home-town” style festivities. I met up with her at the Freeman Store, walked around the caboose and Farmers’ Market with her, pointed her in the direction of the Community Center, and wished her a good time in Vienna.

A few hours later, I got a phone call from the reporter. It was time to get back to DC to file her story, and she wanted to know how to get back to the Metro station. The bus wasn’t due for another hour, and she wasn’t sure if it was even running on a holiday. Never mind, I said, I’ll give you a ride.

During our drive to the Vienna Metro station, I got to expound on two of my fa-

vorite Town topics: our need for reliable, frequent bus connections; and our position as Town *and* County taxpayers. And it was a very timely opportunity, since earlier that week the Town Council and Transportation Safety Commission (TSC) had been briefed on the “Fairfax County Transit Development Plan” by the County’s Department of Transportation and its consultants. The transportation planners are mapping out (literally) how bus service will operate in our area with the advent of the Silver Line in Tysons.

Vienna must be part of this planning. To get the bus service we need – to get to and from Metro, to get customers to our commercial area and to Tysons – we have to be part of the larger regional system.



Councilwoman Cole

When I was first elected to Council, I was hopeful that Vienna could operate a mid-day shuttle service in our commercial core. Working with our Planning staff, I looked at other local jurisdictions for models. A similar system in Bailey’s Crossroads had folded because of lack of use. The George system in Falls Church, then newly launched with the substantial support of grant money, was already cutting back routes and schedules. (This year Falls Church turned over operation of George to Arlington County.) The bottom line was that the bottom line doesn’t work well for a small system. Fare box revenue doesn’t come close to covering operating costs; some sort of subsidy is necessary. And Vienna does not have the resources to provide that subsidy for an independent system.

But as Fairfax County taxpayers we are already supporting a larger system, with Metro and Fairfax Connector buses. And this is as good a chance as we have had in a long time to become better served by that system. We need to let the County transportation planners know what routes we want and when we want them to run. At the meeting, I raised the need for a connection from the Metro station to our commercial area. Andrew Meren of the TSC urged consideration of an express connection from Vienna to Tysons. Keely Lauretti, a new TSC member, asked for better service to residential areas in North-east. What are your ideas? Please, share them with the planners (mzisman@atcsplc.com). Let’s get on the map.

ViVa! Vienna! Benefits Community

For over 20 years, proceeds from the annual ViVa! Vienna! town festival have been returned to the community. This year, the Rotary Club of Vienna, which manages the festival, donated over \$100,000 to the organizations listed below.

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| •Vienna Volunteer
Fire Department | •Vienna Parks & Recreation
Department | •Vienna Police
Department |
| •Committee
for Helping Others | •Good News Jail
and Prison Ministry | •Madison High School
Ethics Day |
| •Marshall Academy | •The Shepherd’s Center | •Patrick Henry Library |
| •Marshall High School
Ethics Day | •George Bitner
Memorial Scholarship | •Court Appointed
Special Advocates |
| •Historic Vienna, Inc. | •Salvation Army | •Homestretch |
| •The Women’s Center | •Habitat for Humanity | •Dictionary Project |
| •Rotary Foundation | •Vienna Babe Ruth Baseball | •Save the Children |
| •Villa Maria Work
Study Center | •Marshall High School
Teaching Garden | •Mosby Woods
Elementary School |
| •Supply Our Schools | •Softly International | •Cub Scout Pack 78 |
| •Boy Scouts of America
(NCAC) | •Ellen S. Flanagan
Memorial Fund | •Vienna Crop Walk
for Hunger |
| •Five Talents International | •Vienna Stars | •Alternative House |
| •Face the Fire Ministries | •Novaco | •Lamb Center |
| •Shelter Box USA | •Food for Others | •Express Care |
| •Vienna Arts Society | •ICON Community Services | •Hartwood Foundation |
| •Laurie Mitchell
Employment Center | •Literacy Council
of Northern Virginia | •Vienna Stars
(Shelter House Project) |
| •Stroke Comeback Center | •The Hike Foundation | •PRS |
| •Substance Abuse and
Addiction Recovery Alliance | •Volunteer Emergency
Families for Children | •Diamond Dream
Foundation |
| •RCV Bike Rack Project | | |

Bikeway Plan Amendments Would Regulate Riding on Sidewalks

At its August 17 meeting, the Town Council will hold a public hearing on proposed amendments to the Vienna Bikeway Plan (Town Code Chapter 21) concerning riding on sidewalks. The meeting will begin at 8 p.m. in the Council Chamber at Town Hall.

Unlike some other jurisdictions, the Town of Vienna permits children under 11 years old to ride a bicycle on a sidewalk at any time, and bicyclists of any age may ride on the sidewalk wherever it is hazardous to ride in the roadway. With the overall increase in traffic in Northern Virginia, pedestrians are having to share the sidewalks with more and more bicyclists.

Bicyclists sometimes seem to forget that while riding on a sidewalk they must follow the duties and obligations of a pedestrian when crossing a roadway or a crosswalk. The proposed Bikeway Plan amendments clarify the legal duties and obligations of bicyclists riding on sidewalks and bikepaths.

Dogwood Street Sidewalk Hearing

One of the Priority One sidewalk projects recommended to the Town Council by the Sidewalk Task Force is Dogwood Street, S.W., between Center and Cottage Streets. A four-foot wide sidewalk is proposed for the north side of the street.

The Town Council will hold a public hearing on the project at its August 17 meeting, which begins at 8 p.m. in the Council Chamber at Town Hall. Project drawings will be posted and Department of Public Works staff will be available to answer questions beginning at 7 p.m.

Interested citizens may review project information at Town Hall or online at www.viennava.gov/projects/projects.htm. For more information call the Department of Public Works at 703-255-6381.

FY 2009-10 Budget Adopted

The Town's adopted budget for fiscal year 2009-10, which began July 1, totals \$29,483,929 for all funds, an increase of \$16,564 or 0.06% over last year.

The General Fund budget is based on a real estate tax rate of 22.81¢ per \$100 of assessed valuation, an increase of 1.9¢ from last year's tax rate. Based on the estimated median market value from 2009 assessment data, the average Vienna property owner will pay an annual real estate tax bill of \$1,156.17, an increase of \$9.01. Many property owners will actually experience a decrease in this year's tax bill due the overall drop in assessments.

In the Water and Sewer Fund, based on current revenue projections it will not be necessary to increase either the water or sewer rates this fiscal year. The Town is continuing to work on a wholesale water agreement with the City of Falls Church and also examining the feasibility of an acquisition by Falls Church with the joint Town-City appointment of a firm to value the Town water and sewer systems.

The Debt Service Fund continues to be supported by receipts from the meals and lodging tax. Even with an expected decline in revenues in excess of 10%, there are still sufficient revenues in reserve to pay principal and interest payments on existing debt. No funds have been included in the Debt Service budget for a 2009 bond issue.

A "Budget in Brief" summary is shown below. For more information about the budget or to obtain printed copies, call the Administrative Services Office, 703-255-6350.

FY 2009-10 BUDGET IN BRIEF

GENERAL FUND

REVENUES

Property Tax	\$ 8,712,283
(22.81¢ per \$100 of assessed valuation)	
Other Local Taxes	6,383,200
Permits, Fees & Licenses	75,700
Fines & Forfeitures	310,000
Use of Money & Property	350,000
Parks & Recreation Fees	785,000
Special Services Fees	4,500
Miscellaneous Revenues	89,500
Categorical Aid	1,998,337
Interfund Transfers	1,012,000
Use of Prior Year Reserves	1,097,048
TOTAL	\$20,817,568

EXPENDITURES

Legislative	\$ 659,826
Administration	1,632,275
Finance Department	1,364,421
Police Department	5,695,624
Public Works Department	6,788,775
Tax Relief	290,521
Parks & Recreation Department	2,771,177
Planning & Zoning Department	746,655
Transfers & Reserves	289,923
PC Replacement	10,000
Equipment Replacement	568,371
TOTAL	\$20,817,568

WATER & SEWER FUND

REVENUES

Use of Money	\$ 25,000
Water & Sewer Charges	6,079,800
Miscellaneous Revenues	70,000
Use of Prior Year Surplus	442,435
TOTAL	\$6,617,235

EXPENDITURES

Operations & Maintenance	\$4,645,889
Meter Maintenance & Reading	453,493
Billing/Customer Service	172,138
Transfers	1,277,519
Equipment Replacement	68,196
TOTAL	\$6,617,235

DEBT SERVICE FUND

REVENUES

Other Local Taxes	\$1,520,663
Use of Money	30,025
Interfund Transfers	250,936
Use of Prior Year Surplus	247,502
TOTAL	\$2,049,126

EXPENDITURES

Administrative Costs	\$ 700
Debt Service	2,048,426
TOTAL	\$2,049,126

TOTAL BUDGET FOR ALL FUNDS \$29,483,929



Fairfax County

RECYCLING ROADSHOW

RECYCLE TELEVISIONS, COMPUTERS & ELECTRONICS
DOCUMENT SHREDDING & FLUORESCENT LIGHT RECYCLING

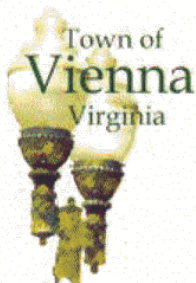
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 12 FROM 9:00 A.M. - 2:00 P.M.

NAVY FEDERAL CREDIT UNION

820 FOLLIN LANE SOUTHEAST, VIENNA

This **FREE** event is hosted by the

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For event updates, including
cancellation notification, please call the

**Recycling Infoline at
703-324-5052, TTY 711.**

For a complete schedule of Environmental
Events in 2009, visit our web site at

www.fairfaxcounty.gov/recycling.

RECYCLE TELEVISIONS, COMPUTERS & ELECTRONICS

Televisions, computers and peripheral devices (such as keyboards, speakers, printers, scanners, etc.) will be accepted for recycling at **no charge**. **Please do not bring electrical household appliances (such as vacuums, microwaves, toaster ovens, etc.) to this event.**

DOCUMENT SHREDDING

In order to accommodate as many residents as possible at this event, a limit of **5 reasonably-sized boxes of paper per household** will be accepted for shredding. **There is no fee for this service. Please remove paper from binders and remove binder clips. All shredded paper will be recycled.**

COMPACT FLUORESCENT LIGHT RECYCLING

We will be accepting compact fluorescent light bulbs for recycling at this event. Only **compact** fluorescent light bulbs will be accepted. **Long fluorescent tubes and broken bulbs will not be accepted at this event.** These items must be taken to one of the county's permanent household hazardous waste disposal sites at the I-66 Transfer Station (Fairfax) or I-95 Landfill (Lorton) Complex.

NEWS FROM VIENNA PARKS & REC

For more information about any of the activities listed below, call the Vienna Parks and Recreation Department at 703-255-6360 or visit www.viennava.gov. All activities are held at the Vienna Community Center unless stated otherwise.

SPECIAL EVENTS

Vienna Youth Players will present "Children of Eden" August 7, 8, 14 and 15 at 7:30 p.m. and August 9 at 1 p.m. This musical romp through the stories of Genesis from creation to the ark was written by Stephen Schwartz, composer of "Wicked" and "Godspell." Tickets are \$11 general admission and \$10 for students and senior citizens over age 65, available at the Community Center.

"Summer Stories And Sprinklers" continues each Wednesday through August 12. Children and parents are invited to story time at the "Little Library" located behind the historic Freeman House, 131 Church St., N.E., at 1:30 p.m. and then enjoy a run through the sprinklers on the Town Green at 2 p.m. Free of charge.

Enjoy a favorite family movie outdoors at Glyndon Park on Friday, August 28, beginning at dusk (around 8:45 p.m.). Admission is free. Bring lawn chairs or blankets for seating. Parents are required to stay with their children during the movie. For information on which G-rated film will be shown, call 703-255-7842 after noon on August 26 and for weather information on the day of the show.

BUS TRIPS

Register now! The trip to Winterthur Mansion is almost full. A charter bus will leave the Community Center at 7:30 a.m. Wednesday, September 23, and return at 5:30 p.m. The cost of \$90 for town residents includes transportation, mansion and garden tours, and gourmet sandwich buffet lunch. There will also be time for exploring the house and grounds on your own or shopping in the museum store. The 1,000-acre du Pont family estate in the heart of Delaware's Brandywine Valley features more than 175 period rooms housing a

collection of more than 85,000 objects made or used in America between 1640 and 1860, including the Campbell collection of soups.

Day trip to Dover Downs is scheduled for Friday, August 21. A charter bus will leave the Community Center at 10 a.m. and return around 7:30 p.m. Enjoy all the amenities at this AAA-rated Four Diamond Casino, featuring more than 3,100 slot machines in penny to \$100 game formats. The cost for transportation is \$40 for town residents.

AT THE TEEN CENTER

Dining Skills and Etiquette for Teens, for ages 13-17, will be held on Saturday, August 8, from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. Topics will include silverware savvy, American and continental eating styles, duties of hosts and guests, and many other dos and don'ts. The cost is \$40 for town residents.

Family Picnic Night is Friday, August 7, beginning at 6 p.m. Families are invited to bring a picnic dinner; each donation of canned food or clothing for a local charity earns a cupcake dessert. Then teens can stay over for a movie and a best fuzzy slipper contest.

The following activities are free of charge for students in grades 6-8:

Who was the first person to create S'mores? We don't know, but we're sure glad they did! National S'mores Day is August 10! Celebrate those roasted marshmallow/graham cracker/chocolate taste treats beginning at 5 p.m.

Say "aloha" to summer with a luau at 6 p.m. Friday, August 21. Stop by for fresh fruit, cool projects, fun games, and the hula.

SUMMER CAMPS

August sports camps include baseball, pitchers/catchers, tennis, soccer, basketball, fishing, and an all-sports sampler. The **Summer Playground Program** for ages 6-11 and **Teen Excursion Camps** for ages 11-15 are also underway. Call for dates and fees or visit www.viennava.gov for an online brochure.

POTPOURRI

Women's self-defense class, commonly known as R.A.D. (Rape Aggression Defense), will be offered by the Vienna Police Department August 3, 5, 10 and 12 from 7 to 10 p.m. The program is designed for the average woman with no previous experience or background in physical skills training. Escape and response techniques are demonstrated in practical scenarios as well as ways to reduce the risk of becoming a victim. The fee for all four sessions is \$5 for town residents plus a \$15 materials fee.

Auditions for the Vienna Theatre Company's fall production of the mystery, "Sleuth," will be held August 3 and 5 at 7 p.m. The cast requires two men ages 30-60. Actors should prepare a two-minute monologue; there will also be cold readings from the script.

Discount tickets to Kings Dominion, Six Flags, and Busch Gardens amusement parks are available at the Community Center weekdays from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Reservations for the picnic shelters at Meadow Lane and Glyndon Parks for groups of up to 75 people may be made by phone or in person at the Community Center weekdays from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. The fee for Town of Vienna groups is \$25 for a maximum of five hours plus a \$25 key deposit for use of the restrooms.

The Vienna Community Center will be closed August 24– September 7 for annual building maintenance.

Town of Vienna Police Department Bicycle, Pedestrian, and Motor Vehicle Safety Survey and Suggestion Form

What days of the week do you travel in or through Vienna?

Weekdays_____

Weekends_____

During what hours? _____

Do you travel by car _____ bicycle _____ on foot _____ other _____?

What is your opinion of the current markings and signage on the roadways at bicycle/pedestrian crossings?

Too Much _____ Too Little _____ Suggestions:

What innovative safety measures could be implemented on roadways, on sidewalks or on trails that would be both an improvement for safety and cost effective?

Do you use the W&OD Trail? Yes – bicycle_____ on foot_____ or No_____

How could the major crossing points – Park Street at W&OD, Maple Avenue at W&OD, Ayr Hill Avenue at W&OD – be better marked or changed to improve safety for all parties involved?

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From a motor vehicle operator’s standpoint, what could be done throughout town to improve the interaction between pedestrians and bicyclists?

From a pedestrian’s standpoint, what could be done throughout town to improve the interaction between motor vehicles and bicyclists?

From a bicyclist’s standpoint, what could be done throughout town to improve the interaction between motor vehicles and pedestrians?

The Vienna Police Department has discussed many typical solutions already in place and also those used by many other jurisdictions to try and improve safety for all parties.
What “outside the box” ideas do you have that could be considered to assist with the safe passage and interactions of pedestrians, bicyclists, and motor vehicles?

Thank you for your input! We truly value your opinion and share your desire to maintain the safe, family-friendly atmosphere you have come to know in the Town of Vienna!

Please return completed survey to the Vienna Police Department, 215 Center St., S., Vienna, VA 22180. You may either mail it or drop it off in person at our front desk. The form may also be faxed to 703-255-5732. An electronic version of this survey is available online at www.viennava.gov; click on the Bicycle, Pedestrian, and Motor Vehicle Safety Survey link.

HAPPENINGS AROUND OUR TOWN

Vienna Girls Softball League on-line registration for ages 5-18 is now open at www.VGSL.org. Walk-in registration will be held on Saturday, August 8, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Vienna Community Center. Practice for the fall season begins in early September and games will be played from mid-September through the first week in November.

Community blood drive, sponsored by the Vienna-Tysons Regional Chamber of Commerce, Rotary Club of Vienna, and Town of Vienna employees, is scheduled for Friday, August 7, from 10:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the Vienna Community Center. To schedule an appointment online, go to www.inova.org/donateblood or call Inova Blood Donor Services at 1-866-BLOODSAVES (1-866-256-6372).

Attention southwest Vienna residents! The newly formed Southwest Vienna Neighborhood Association (SWVNA) will meet at 7 p.m. Tuesday, August 18, at Patrick Henry Library. The group hopes to enhance the sense of community among the neighborhoods in the southwest quadrant of town to empower residents and improve the quality of life. For more information, visit www.swvna.org or call Anne Rutherford at 703-281-6178.

Vienna Farmers' Market, sponsored by the Optimist Club of Greater Vienna, is open each Saturday, rain or shine, from 8 a.m. to noon in the caboose parking lot on historic Church Street. The market features fresh fruits and vegetables, crepes made to order, donuts, kettle corn, pastas, Guatemalan coffee, and more. Booth space is also available to nonprofit organizations. For more information, call 703-200-7806 or visit www.viennafarmersmarket.com. Vienna's red caboose will be open to visitors from 1 to 5 p.m. Saturday, August 22, thanks to the Optimist Club.

The Optimist Club of Greater Vienna has presented the 2009 Charles A. Robinson Respect for Law Award to Officer Michael J. Finelli of the Vienna Police Department and Officer D.J. Faulk

of the Fairfax County Police Department's Fair Oaks District Station. Former Councilwoman Maud Robinson, in attendance at the July 15 meeting to present the award plaques, received a surprise honor from the Vienna Police Department. Chief Bob Carlisle read a letter from the Department's command staff, thanking Mrs. Robinson for her dedicated support of the Department and service to the Town.

Do you love to sing? The Vienna Choral Society is seeking members for its 2009-2010 concert season. No auditions required! Prospective members should be able to read music, match pitch, and meet with the director for a short, informal placement screening at the beginning of the season. A welcome celebration will be held at 7 p.m. Tuesday, August 25, at Vienna Presbyterian Church, 124 Park St., N.E. For more information, call 703-255-5508 or visit www.viennachoralsocty.org.

Northern Virginia Senior Softball seeks men 50+ and women 40+ to play slow-pitch softball on Fairfax County fields Tuesday and Thursday mornings, September 8-October 30. Players are assigned to a team at the skill level they meet by a skill assessment, not a tryout. Eleven play defense and everyone bats. For more information, call Dave, 703-524-5576, or Ted, 703-913-0028, or visit www.nvss.org.

Hablemos Claro, a new Toastmasters club for area Spanish speakers, meets at 7:30 p.m. the first Tuesday and the last Wednesday of each month in the community room at Tysons Corner Center. (Use the Barnes & Noble entrance two doors from Victoria's Secret.) The club invites native speakers and fluent speakers to improve their communication and leadership skills. For more information, call Louisa Meruvia at 703-839-5790.

All-you-can-eat breakfast buffet at American Legion Post 180, 330 Center St., N., includes omelets, scrambled eggs, blueberry pancakes, sausage, bacon, biscuits, sausage gravy, potatoes, fruit, cof-

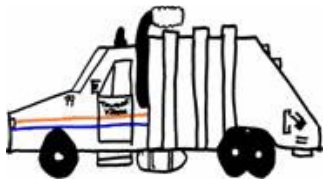
fee, and juice. The buffet will be open on Sunday, August 16, from 8 a.m. to noon. The cost is \$7 for adults and \$3 for children 12 and under. Park at the rear of the building and enter on the second level. The buffet is hosted by Auxiliary Unit 180. For more information or to reserve seating for parties of eight or more, call Janet Renner at 703-625-5736.

"Vienna Remembers World War II," an exhibit portraying life on the home front and the stories of our hometown service men and women, continues at the Freeman House store and museum, 131 Church St., N.E. Free admission. Hours are Wednesday-Saturday from noon to 4 p.m. and Sundays from 1 to 5 p.m. For information, call 703-938-5187 or visit www.historicviennainc.org.

Vienna Wireless Society, established in 1963 to foster and advance amateur radio in the Northern Virginia area, will meet at 7:30 p.m. Friday, August 14, in the Lecture Hall at Oakton High School. (Park near and enter Door 2 of the school.) You do not have to be a licensed ham radio operator to attend or participate in club activities. For more information, visit www.viennawireless.org or contact VWS president Jim Parsons at 703-392-0150 or W4JTP@parsonage.net.

Bingo at the Vienna Volunteer Fire Department, 400 Center St., S., is held every Sunday, with all proceeds benefiting the fire department. Sales begin at 5 p.m. and games begin at 7 p.m. The minimum purchase is a \$10 game pack (20 games). Every regular game pays \$100 plus there is a \$1,000 jackpot. For more information, visit www.vvfd.org.

Books, movies and music are always welcomed by Patrick Henry Library. Some donations are put on library shelves for patrons to borrow, while others are offered in the used book sale area behind the information desk. Proceeds from used book sales help fund library programs for all ages. Donations are tax deductible. For more information, visit the library or call 703-938-0405.



Bag That Grass!

Summer is here, and lawn mowing is the town pastime. Question is, what do you do with all that cut grass?

If you don't compost, grass clippings should be bagged in clear plastic bags. These can be purchased in the Finance Department at Town Hall and are also available at hardware stores. Clear bags allow sanitation crews to identify the contents so they can be taken to the proper facility for recycling. Place bags of grass (and any other soft yard waste) at the curb on your regular trash day. You can put out up to 20 at a time! If you have questions, call 703-255-6381 or visit www.viennava.gov/town_services/trash.htm

Welcome New Businesses

The following business licenses were issued in June:

Finished Product
contractor
507 Birch St., S.W.
703-281-0452

The Mortgage Exchange Service
mortgage banking
440 Maple Ave., E. #205
703-255-5810

SHOP IN VIENNA

Support Our Hometown Merchants

Congratulations to the following businesses celebrating milestone anniversaries in July and August: 30 years – Knicely & Sons; 20 years – Kisa Framm Sklar, MD, Pie Gourmet, PL Interiors, Research-Able; 10 years – HVAC Mechanical Training, I. Catcher Hair Design, Joong Seo Kim, DDS, Kensington Associates, Mike's Warehouse, Patricia Velkoff, PhD, Triple C Travel.

Halloween Parade Will Celebrate Vienna Community Service

Do you love a parade? Then the Vienna Halloween Parade Committee wants you! Join in planning for the 63rd annual parade, or help out on parade night, October 28. For more information, call parade chairman Rebecca Diamond at 703-463-4241 or e-mail rdiamond1@cox.net.

The theme of this year's parade is "Vienna Celebrating Community Service," and the Grand Marshal will be former Town Council member Maud Robinson, longtime Vienna resident and community volunteer.

Entry application forms and information about the parade can be downloaded from the Town's Website, www.viennava.gov, or call the Vienna Parks and Recreation Department at 703-255-6360. The entry deadline is Wednesday, September 30. Because space is limited to the first 90 approved applicants, the parade may fill before the entry deadline. Completed applications do not guarantee entrance.

Become a Parade Sponsor

Invest in a memory! Become a sponsor of the Halloween Parade and help maintain the parade's excellent level of entertainment. Thrill your friends, kids, grandkids, office mates, or potential clients by putting your name (or theirs!) in front of thousands of parade watchers. For information, call the Vienna-Tysons Regional Chamber of Commerce at 703-281-1333 or e-mail parade chairman Rebecca Diamond at rdiamond1@cox.net.

Pick 3/Spend 50 to Help Stimulate Local Businesses

The 3/50 Project, begun this year by an independent businesswoman in Minneapolis, promotes shopping at local retailers to help stimulate the economy. Here's how the program works:

"3" – Think about which three independently owned businesses you'd miss most if they were gone. Stop in and pick up something. Your support is what keeps these businesses around.

"50" – If just half the employed U.S. population spent \$50 each month at independently owned businesses, their purchases would generate more than \$42.6 billion in revenue.

According to the 3/50 Project, for every \$100 spent at independently owned stores, \$68 returns to the community through taxes and other expenditures. If you spend the same amount at a national chain, only \$43 stays here. Spend it online and nothing comes home.

Both shoppers and business owners can get more information at www.the350project.net. A free flyer is available for retailers to download and hand out to customers with their purchases.

Shops Open Late on "Third Thursday"

Many Vienna businesses along historic Church Street, Mill Street, Dominion Road, and portions of Maple Avenue are open until 8 p.m. on the third Thursday of each month. Come and enjoy an evening stroll while visiting your friendly and conveniently located Vienna merchants.

August

<i>Sunday</i>	<i>Monday</i>	<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Friday</i>	<i>Saturday</i>
All meetings are held at Vienna Town Hall at 8 p.m. unless noted otherwise						1
2 Trash pickup first collection day, curbside recycling second collection day each week	3	4 Windover Heights Board of Review 7:30 p.m.	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17 Town Council	18	19 Planning Commission	20 Town/Business Liaison Committee	21	22
23	24	25 Transportation Safety Commission	26 Planning Commission	27	28	29

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911**
(Voice & TDD)

**VIENNA POLICE
DIRECT**
703-938-4900 (Voice)
703-255-5730 (TDD)
NON-EMERGENCY
703-255-6366 (Voice)
703-255-5730 (TDD)

COMMUNITY CENTER
703-255-6360 (Voice)
703-255-5739 (TDD)
120 Cherry St., S.E.
Vienna, Virginia 22180

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703-255-6300 (Voice)
703-255-5735 (TDD)
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This document will be made available in large print or on audio cassette upon request. Call 703-255-6330, TDD 703-255-5735.



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This Month in History

from the Vienna Newsletter archives

AUGUST 1999 – Under the newly adopted Church Street Vision Plan, property owners within the street's Pedestrian Commercial Zone will be encouraged to renovate and develop properties in accordance with guidelines that will reflect a main street urban architecture reminiscent of the small-town America streetscape of the late 19th century. In exchange, owners will receive additional building square footage, a reduction in parking requirements, and an expedited review process.

AUGUST 1989 – This summer the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors approved the sale of \$15.2 million in Metrorail Parking Revenue Bonds to fund construction of the Vienna Metrorail parking structure. Construction of the facility, which will provide 1,864 parking spaces, is expected to be completed in September 1990. Meanwhile, park-and-ride users may use the alternative parking and shuttle bus service on Lee Highway.

AUGUST 1979 – As the gasoline shortage continues, more Vienna residents are joining the Town's carpool system. If you work for the federal government in Washington, DC, or nearby military installations, chances are a neighbor is going your way. To join the carpool system, complete a participation card and return it to Town Hall to get the names and phone numbers of fellow commuters to form your carpool.

AUGUST 1969 – On August 25, the Town Council and the Planning Commission will hold a joint public hearing on a proposed ordinance prohibiting the riding of horses and other animals on the streets and sidewalks within the town limits.

INFORMATION 24 HOURS A DAY

Vienna Newsline – 703-255-6333

www.viennava.gov

August on the Town Green

FRIDAYS AT 6:30 P.M.

August 7 – Celtic Cross
Sponsored by Plaka Grill

August 14 – The Sunny Daze Band –
Classic Rock to Motown

Sponsored by Pear Tree Cottage

August 21 – The Splinters – Rock

Sponsored by Dr. Allen Garai,

Specialists in Orthodontics

August 28 – U.S. Navy Country Current

SUNDAYS AT 6:30 P.M.

August 2 – Difficult Run Jazz Band
Sponsored by Rotary Club of Vienna

August 9 – Cletus & Lori – Folk

Sponsored by Cox Communications

August 16 – Dagmar & the Seductones

Sponsored by Northwest Federal

Credit Union

August 30 – Open Mic Night

All performances are free of charge. For weather cancellations, call 703-255-7842 two hours before the event. Bring a blanket or chair and leave pets at home. No alcoholic beverages. Thanks to the Friends of the Town Green and our sponsors.